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In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicants: Takahide KASAI et al. Appln. No.: 09/514,312 REPLY Conf. No. : 8281 Filed February 28, 2000 26694 **COATED MATERIAL AND PROCESS** For U.S. PATENT AND FOR PRODUCING THE COATED TRADEMARK OFFICE MATERIAL (As amended) Atty. Dkt. : 31671-157328

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Sir:

Applicants have filed a request for continuing examination (RCE) in the abovereferenced application. In response to the outstanding Office Action, dated August 26, 2003, in this application, please amend the application as indicated below and consider the remarks which follow.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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